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SACRAMENTO UPDATE

Executive Summary

This memorandum contains reports on the following:

- **Status of County-Sponsored Legislation**
 - **County-sponsored AB 2275 (Ridley-Thomas)** - related to electronic access to vital records, passed the Assembly Appropriations Committee on April 30, 2014.
- **Status of County-Advocacy Legislation**
 - **County-opposed AB 1035 (Pérez)** - related to the statute of limitations on safety officer death benefits, passed the Assembly on May 1, 2014, and now proceeds to the Governor.
 - **County-support-and-amend AB 1793 (Chau)** - related to a request for proposals to identify up to six nonprofit organizations to accept responsibility for enforcing the affordability deed restrictions on home-ownership units of a former redevelopment agency, passed the Assembly Local Government Committee on April 30, 2014.
 - **County-supported AB 1967 (Pan)** - related to investigations of Drug Medi-Cal providers, passed the Assembly Appropriations Committee on April 30, 2014.

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- **County-opposed AB 2052 (Gonzalez)** - related to extending certain workers' compensation presumptions to all peace officers, was placed on the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File on April 30, 2014.
- **County-opposed AB 2732 (Committee on Insurance)** - related to requiring employers to reimburse claimants for workers' compensation lien fees that were paid to the State, passed the Assembly Appropriations Committee on April 30, 2014.
- **Status of Legislation of County Interest**
 - **AB 777 (Muratsuchi)** - related to a property tax exemption for certain property used for space flight purposes, was signed by the Governor on April 29, 2014.
 - **SB 1005 (Lara)** - related to Medi-Cal coverage for persons who are not eligible due to their immigration status, passed the Senate Health Committee on April 30, 2014.
 - **SB 1262 (Correa)** - related to the licensing of marijuana dispensing facilities, passed the Senate Health Committee on April 30, 2014.

Status of County-Sponsored Legislation

County-sponsored AB 2275 (Ridley-Thomas), which as amended on April 10, 2014, would provide local agencies with the option to provide constituents access to their vital records via an electronic identification process, passed the Assembly Appropriations Committee by a vote of 17 to 0 on April 30, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly Floor.

Status of County-Advocacy Legislation

County-opposed AB 1035 (Pérez), which as amended on April 22, 2014, would extend the statute of limitations on filing a death benefits claim for a firefighter or peace officer who dies of specified presumptive work-related illness from 240 weeks to 420 weeks from the date of injury, passed the Assembly Floor by a vote of 65 to 0 on May 1, 2014, and now proceeds to the Governor.

County-support-and-amend AB 1793 (Chau), which as introduced on February 18, 2014, would: 1) require the California Housing Finance Agency, on or before July 1, 2015, to conduct a request for proposals to identify up to six nonprofit organizations as being eligible to accept responsibility for enforcing the affordability deed restrictions on homeownership units of a former redevelopment agency, from a city, county, city and county, or housing authority; 2) authorize a city, county, city and county, or housing authority that has elected to retain the housing assets and function previously performed by a redevelopment agency to transfer responsibility associated with enforcing the affordable deed restrictions on homeownership units to one of the qualified nonprofit organizations identified; and 3) require the nonprofit organization to provide an annual audit of below market rate units to the donating city, county, city and county, or housing authority, and would require the city, county, city and county, or housing authority to publish the audit on its web site, passed the Assembly Local Government Committee by a vote of 9 to 0 on April 30, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

County-supported AB 1967 (Pan), which as amended on April 10, 2014, would require the California Department of Health Care Services, upon commencing and concluding an investigation of a certified Drug Medi-Cal Program provider, to promptly notify each county that contracts with the provider that an investigation has commenced or concluded, passed the Assembly Appropriations Committee by a vote of 17 to 0 on April 30, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly Floor.

County-opposed AB 2052 (Gonzalez), which as amended on April 8, 2014, would extend certain workers' compensation presumptions to all employees that fall under the statutory definition of peace officer, was placed on the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File on April 30, 2014.

County-opposed AB 2732 (Committee on Insurance), which as amended on March 28, 2014, would amend specified provisions of the workers' compensation system reforms enacted in SB 863 (Chapter 363, Statutes of 2012), including amending lien provisions to require employers to reimburse lien claimants for fees that were paid to the State by the claimant, passed the Assembly Appropriations Committee by a vote of 17 to 0 on April 30, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly Floor.

Status of Legislation of County Interest

AB 777 (Muratsuchi), which as amended on February 19, 2014, would provide a property tax exemption from January 1, 2014 through January 1, 2024, for qualified properties used primarily for space flight activities, and specify that the State is exempt

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from having to reimburse any local agency for property tax revenue lost as a result of the property tax exemption, was signed by the Governor on April 29, 2014. This measure becomes effective immediately.

SB 1005 (Lara), which as introduced on February 13, 2014, would create a State-only Medi-Cal Program to provide health care coverage for persons who are not eligible for coverage because of their immigration status, and establish the California Health Exchange Program for All Californians, which would provide immigrants with the same health care coverage options and subsidies as for those who are enrolled through Covered California, passed the Senate Health Committee by a vote of 6 to 1 on April 30, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 1262 (Correa), which as amended on April 21, 2014, would require the California Department of Public Health to license marijuana dispensing facilities and cultivation sites and require county public health departments to enforce the licensure requirements, passed the Senate Health Committee, with amendments, by a vote of 6 to 0 on April 30, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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